REPORT

THE General Council reports that the number of Fellows at present is 170, Members 22, and Associates 3. Last year there were—Fellows 169, Members 27, Associates 3, showing an increase of one Fellow and a reduction of five Members.

The total attendances were 679, a slight increase on the number—656—reported last year.

The accounts have been audited, and show a balance to credit of the Academy of £68 2s. 6d. Last year the credit balance was £261 2s. 8d. The reduction is due to the investment of £200 in accordance with the resolution of last Annual General Meeting.

The question of the National Insurance Act, which has been mentioned in the last two reports, was again considered by your Council on the request of the Conjoint Committee for Ireland, to appoint a representative to unite with them to conduct negociations with the Insurance Commissioners and to organise the Profession in Ireland in connection with the Insurance Act. The Council appointed Dr. R. J. Rowlette to act on their behalf.

The Section of State Medicine forwarded the following resolution to the General Council :—

> "That the Section of State Medicine of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland strongly approves of the extension of the Mental Deficiency Bill to Ireland, and recommends the Council of the Academy to

adopt this resolution, and forward copies to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Lord Chancellor, and to the Irish Members of Parliament."

The resolution was considered and adopted by the General Council, and subsequently forwarded to the parties mentioned in it.

The Council records with great regret the loss of two of our original Fellows :—Sir Henry R. Swanzy, M.D., F.R.C.S.I., who has occupied the chair in the Section of Surgery from 1906 to 1908; and Arthur H. Benson, F.R.C.S.I., who presided over the Section of Pathology from 1909 to 1911, to which Section he was also a frequent contributor.

26th September, 1913.